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Letter from Janet E. Davison, Wellesley,  
Massachusetts, to Mrs. R. J. Davison, Bath, New  
York, 1913 December

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2 Dec. 1897

Tuesday night.

1.

Dear Mother,

The package arrived this A.M. in fine condition. The bureau scarf is perfectly swell! I didn't dream you were going to make such a lovely one; but now it's done, I thank you ever so much. The bow-legged is also pretty, and I like the blue sleeves better than I did before. Don't you?

I can't write much tonight because Helen is already in bed and wants to go to sleep. I haven't done a lick of studying today since 4:15 P.M. when I left the library to go to the Vill. ~~for~~ I had to make a trip to the bank and enjoyed the walk besides, for it was gloriously sharp and bracing this P.M. with quite an exhilarating breeze.

We got back just in good time to dress for dinner. After dinner we took our embroidery to Prof. Palmer's lecture on George Herbert. It was rather dry & very long, but we got quite a lot of sewing done.



It's about the first chance I've had to em-  
broider any amount for nearly 2 weeks.  
Well, after ward I went to call on Dorothy  
Westfall and Milly Warrant to tell " I'd  
had a letter from Janet N. F. Lewis (that's the  
way she signed herself) today. I was somewhat  
jolted when the letter came, for I haven't writ-  
ten her yet at all & in her place would  
never have been so forgiving. I'll enclose  
the letter, as it may interest you. I like  
the change from girl to "woman"!

I seem to be having a reaction from  
the past ten days' grief; for, though I've  
two lessons yet to prepare for tomorrow,  
I haven't a care for study in my "passion-  
less bosom". Had it last night with a  
vengeance. I copied my story till eleven  
& studied for a Psych. quiz till midnight.  
Helen also sat up & studied. The room got  
so frigid that my <sup>(coiled)</sup> legs & feet didn't get  
warm till this P.M. when I went walking.

Tomorrow we go to Marlboro on  
the 4:45 train. Have to fix our room for  
Thurs. sweepday before we go & I have to



lug along my complete gym suit which I must wear down on the train Thurs. a.m. in order to make a 9:00 a.m. dancing class.

Your letter was a dandy, so full & interesting. I was surprised to get it on Tues. A.M. Please don't feel you have to write because I know you're dreadfully busy & have to write Jack often, and I really don't need letters now that I'm past homesickness.

Thank whoever sent the snapshots. Isn't the one of Bob good, where he's standing in that group? I'm awfully glad he's going to have the trip to Syracuse. If he'd manage to save at least \$30 before the 1<sup>st</sup> of Feb, '14, I'd have him up here for Glee Club. Put that proposition to him. He could be here from Friday to Monday with me if he'd earn a little more than his carfare. Wouldn't it be fun?

I hope you don't think the laundry is too big. I saved out quite a lot of things



which are mended & will present them at Xmas time. I think I'll send my laundry a week early then, as I did last year. That'll make only 4 more weeks before that last laundry comes. Makes the time seem short; doesn't it?

I think that razor set 'll be fine; I'd thought of unbroidering a blue Wellesley pillow, but don't imagine I'll have time &, anyway, it wouldn't be useful. I've tried to get "The Swiss' Family Robinson" in Everyman for Austin. Don't you think he'd love it?

Simply must close, as it's eleven already.

with love to all,  
Janet.